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Senator Jerry W. Stevenson Representative Brad R. Wilson Prison Development Commission House Building, Suite W310 Salt Lake City, UT 84114

March 31, 2017

Re:Request for Recommendations of the Prison Development Commission

Honorable Chairmen of the Prison Development Commission:

The State Bonding Commission (the "Bonding Commission") of the State of Utah (the "State") has initiated the processes for issuing the State's general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") authorized pursuant to Section 63B-25-101 of the Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended (the "Utah Code"), to pay a portion of the costs of the prison project described in Section 63C-16-102 of the Utah Code. Prior to issuing the Bonds, Section 63B-25-101(6) of the Utah Code requires the Bonding Commission to request and consider a recommendation from the Prison Development Commission (the "Prison Commission") regarding the timing and amount of the issuance of the Bonds.

With this letter the Bonding Commission formally requests that the Prison Commission provide the Bonding Commission with a written recommendation regarding the timing and the amount of the issuance of the Bonds for the prison project by no later than Wednesday, May 17, 2017. The written recommendation should be submitted to David C. Damschen, Utah State Treasurer and Member of the Bonding Commission.

In considering the recommendation of the Prison Commission, the Bonding Commission must be mindful of the authorization of general obligation bonds for certain transportation projects contained in S.B. 277 (2017)(the "Transportation Bonds"), which limits the amount of Transportation Bonds that can be issued such that Bonding Commission may not issue Transportation Bonds if the amount to be issued would cause the total current outstanding general obligation debt of the State to exceed 50% of the limitation described in the Utah Constitution, Article XIV, Section 1.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (801) 538-1042.

Sincerely,

By

David C. Damschen, CTP Utah State Treasurer and Member of the State Bonding

Commission

cc: Tani Pack Downing, Executive Director, Administrative Services Eric Tholen, Director, Facilities Construction and Management Reed Stringham, Assistant Utah Attorney General Perri Babalis, Assistant Utah Attorney General Ryan Bjerke, Chapman and Cutler LLP Bryan J. Bean, Legislative Fiscal Analyst